

Los Angeles Wheelmen VP Report - July 10, 2024

Hello All:

Feeling a little better, but still not over this cold, so here goes anyway. It's summer and having a summer cold makes me blue so here is the obvious song for tonight's theme

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yUBy4ZvpaJc>

Last Week: We had a couple of rides last week. First up was our annual 4th of July ride in Long Beach. We had a pretty good turn-out with 11 riders. **Phil Whitwoth** took this photo at the start:



From the left: **Mike Eberts**, **Russ Brynes** (behind Russ is one of two friends he brought along -- **Reggie** and **Charles** -- not sure where the other one was) Continuing from the left are **Chris Hedberg**, **Gary Murphy**, **David Nakai**, **Bill Faulkner**, **Jacques Stern** and me. It was a pleasant day for riding. We all stuck together and most of us even ate together at 5 Guys. We all did the long route which is proven by the fact that we were all together for the photo at the top of Signal Hill. This photo was taken by a friendly passerby but sent to me by Phil

who is on the right. .



On Sunday, the ride was "John's River Ride" starting in Anaheim. I had come down with my cold by then and didn't go. Turns out the only person to go was **David Nakai**. Here's a shot David took at the start to prove he was there



Since no one else was there, David didn't really ride the club route but made up his own ride. He did ride down the Santa Ana River however which was on the club route. He took this shot of the mural which has been on an underpass on the river for many years. Unfortunately the bottom has been painted over (probably to cover graffiti) but what I liked about the photo was that you can see the reflection of the mural in the water below.



This Week: This Sunday is our annual ride down to the Manhattan Beach Grand Prix races. We start from the "Corner" The short simply goes directly to the races, allows you to watch some racing, and the returns. The medium and long first make a trip to Palos Verdes before returning to watch the racing. The medium goes to Golden Cove for lunch (making the ride very similar to the usual Thursday Triple Dipper Ride), while the long makes a loop taking you up and over Hawthorne and on to lunch in Torrance. I had planned to do the medium, but even if I'm well by then, I'll probably only do the short now.

No Patches Tonight: I just want to cut this short tonight so I can go to sleep again, so I'm skipping this item this week.

Parting Shot: I spent most of my holiday weekend sleeping and watching TV. Besides the Tour de France, I watched a lot of a Twilight Zone marathon. I felt I had to because it looked like they put together the marathon just for me



See You On The Road

Rod Doty, VP

Attachments area

Preview YouTube video The Who ~ Summertime Blues

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